Addition tin the List of SC/ST in |ndhra Pradesh

1021.DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the
Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain representations have been received from certain communities and Tribes -living in the State of Andhra Pradesh for inclusion in the list of SC/ST;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) the decision on Government on these representation and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Claims have been received for inclusion of about 70 communities in the lists of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes of the State of Andhra Pradesh.

(c) These claims are under consideration of the Government.

Inquiry Against Misuse of Grants by NGO's

1022.SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to refer to news-item in the Pioneer dated 12th February, 1997 captioned "Inquiry against misuse of grants by NGO's" and state:

(a) the scope of this inquiry;

(b) whether any organisation from Andhra Pradesh has been brought under this inquiry; and

(c) the full details of the objectives of this inquiry?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI B ALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) and (c) The scope of the enquiry is to ascertain whether such NGO's against whom complaints have been received are utilising the funds released by the Ministry as per the guidelines and norms approved for the scheme and whether the benefits of the scheme is reaching those for whom it is meant. In case it is found in the enquiry that the funds have been misutilised, the Ministry takes action for refund of the grant-in-aid and assets created from that, stop further grant-in-aid to such NGO's and blacklist them so that they cannot draw funds from any other Ministry of the Union Government.

Since 1994-95, grant-in-aid has been stopped in respect of 22 NGO's on account of the allegation of misuse of funds.

(b) No, Sir.

[The Deputy Chairman in the Chair.]

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Notifications of the Ministry of Industry (Deptt of Industrial Policy and Promotion

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): Madam, I lay on the Table, under sub-section (6) of Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Industry (Department of Industrial Policy. and Promotion):-

(1) S.O. No. 827(E), dated the 27th November, 1996, regarding amendment to the Newsprint Control Order, 1962.

(2) S.O. No. 828(E), dated the 20th January, 1996, regarding amendment to the Newsprint Control, Order 1962.

(2) S.O. No. 52(E), dated the 27th November, 1997, regarding amendment to the Newsprint Control, Order 1962.

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RE. DACOITY IN BHAGALPUR-DADAR TRAIN ON 27TH JANUARY, 1997

उपसभापति : श्री जनार्दन यादव। ... एक तो आप इतनी पुरानी बात कह रहे है जनवरी की आज, और फिर इसमें भी डिले कर रहे है।

श्री जनार्दन यादव (बिहार) : मैडम, मेरा जीरो आवर का सब्जेक्ट है।

उपसभापति : जी, बोलिए।

श्री जनार्दन यादव : मैडम, बिहार में 27 जनवरी को भागलपुर-दादर ट्रेन में डकैती हुई, डकैती के साथ-साथ पांच लोगों की हत्या हो गई और उस ट्रेन में जो महिलाएं